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16	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
17 18	Reyna Dempsey, individually, on behalf of others similarly situated, and on behalf of the general public,	Case No. 5:24-cv-00425-EKL-VKD	
19		SECOND STIPULATED REQUEST TO	
20	Plaintiff,	EXTEND CLASS CERTIFICATION AND SUBSEQUENT DEADLINES	
21	V.		
22	United Healthcare Services, Inc., and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive,		
23	Defendants.		
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Pursuant to Local Rules 6-1, 6-2, and 7-12, Plaintiff Reyna Dempsey, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, and on the behalf of the general public ("Plaintiff"), and Defendant United Healthcare Services, Inc. ("Defendant" or "United") (collectively, "the Parties") jointly move to enlarge the deadline for Plaintiff to file her motion for class certification and subsequent deadlines flowing therefrom. Specifically, the parties propose the following deadlines:

Event	<b>Current Deadline</b>	<b>Proposed Deadline</b>
Deadline to file motion for class certification	December 12, 2025	March 31, 2026
Deadline to file opposition to class certification	January 23, 2026	May 4, 2026
Deadline to file reply in support of class certification	February 24, 2026	May 26, 2026
Class certification hearing and case management conference	April 8, 2026	To be set by the Court
Close of fact discovery	August 28, 2026	November 2, 2026
Close of expert discovery	September 30, 2026	December 1, 2026
Deadline to file dispositive and Daubert motions	November 20, 2026	January 15, 2027
Deadline to file oppositions to dispositive and Daubert motions	December 30, 2026	February 15, 2027
Deadline to file replies in support of dispositive and Daubert motions	January 21, 2027	March 1, 2027
Last day to hear dispositive and Daubert motions	February 17, 2027	April 16, 2027

Accordingly, considering all of the currently set deadlines, the parties' proposal will result in a two-month extension of the current case schedule. There is good cause for this extension, as discussed herein.

First, the parties devoted substantial time, energy, and resources toward preparing for and participating in mediation on August 26, 2025. Although the mediation did not result in settlement, it was productive and early discovery conducted ahead of the mediation informed and advanced discussions significantly in the parties' ongoing meet and confer discussions.

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Second, the parties met and conferred on October 1 after Defendant's latest supplemental production and written responses, which responses were served on September 30. The parties' efforts to reach agreement are ongoing.

Third, the meet and confer process has raised numerous questions by Plaintiff that require Defendant's counsel to consult with their client to provide responses to those questions, including issues related to the scope of the potential class and the location and maintenance of claims and demographic data. Defense counsel is in the process of completing their inquiry into Plaintiff's questions.

Fourth, the parties are in the process of negotiating an ESI protocol. It is clear from the parties' discussions to date that they will need to make substantial efforts to ensure a diligent and effective protocol aimed at the data necessary for class certification briefing. Even if agreement is reached in short order, additional time will be needed to implement the protocol and complete related productions.

Fifth, this is only the second request to enlarge the class certification briefing deadlines. The parties have complied with all other Court deadlines, including expert disclosures and the initial ADR session, demonstrating diligence and good faith. Indeed, the parties have been working cooperatively to provide each other the necessary information to build their case and defenses; however, the process has taken longer than expected due to some disagreements on the scope of discovery, the complexity of the questions at issue, vendor issues, and the data-intensive nature of discovery.

Finally, the requested extension results in a modest overall adjustment of approximately two months and will not otherwise disrupt the Court's schedule or prejudice any party.

Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that the Court enter an order enlarging the deadline for Plaintiff's Motion for Class Certification to March 31, 2026, and adjusting subsequent deadlines as proposed above.

## **ATTORNEY ATTESTATION** Pursuant to Civil Local Rule 5-1(i)(3), I, Ricardo Perez, hereby attest that concurrence in the filing of this document has been obtained from counsel for Defendant United Healthcare Services, Inc. Dated: October 15, 2025 NICHOLS KASTER, PLLP By: /s/Ricardo G. Perez Ricardo G. Perez -1-

## [PROPOSED] ORDER

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED that the following case deadlines shall apply:

Event	Deadline
Deadline to file motion for class certification	March 31, 2026
Deadline to file opposition to class certification	May 4, 2026
Deadline to file reply in support of class certification	May 26, 2026
Class certification hearing and case management conference	June 24, 2026
Close of fact discovery	November 2, 2026
Close of expert discovery	December 1, 2026
Deadline to file dispositive and Daubert motions	January 15, 2027
Deadline to file oppositions to dispositive and Daubert motions	February 15, 2027
Deadline to file replies in support of dispositive and Daubert motions	March 1, 2027
Last day to hear dispositive and Daubert motions	April 16, 2027 April 14, 2027

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 15, 2025

THE HONORABLE EUMI K. LEE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE